

(b) the number of new electronic exchanges proposed to be installed during the current year?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRIP V RANGAYYA NAIDU) (a) and (b) A total of 4825 telephone exchanges were existing in the country as on 31 12 1991

An additional 500 electronic telephone exchange units are proposed to be installed in the country upto March, 1992

Water Resources Management Training Project

5269 DR ASIM BALA Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state

(a) whether the Louis Berger International Inc has been able to provide qualified and competent technical experts to implement the Water Resources Management

Training Project (WRM&T),

(b) if so, the details thereof,

(c) whether the Government have evaluated the work of these experts responsible for the implementation of the project, and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA) (a) and (b) Yes Sir The details of technical experts/consultants employed by Louis Berger International Inc are enclosed in the Statement

(c) and (d) The work of experts engaged as consultants gets reflected in the performance of various activities of the Water Resources Management & Training Project The Technical Advisory Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of Member (Water Planning), Central Water Commission Periodically monitors/evaluates the performance of the Project

STATEMENT

Long Term (Above 3 months)

1	Dr Jan Stofkoper	-	Team Leader (Civil and Agriculture Engineer)
2	Mr W Bell		Irrigation Main System Specialist
3	Mr J Brown		State Training Institutes Development Expert
4	Mr C Maloney	-	Social Scientist
5	Mr Tom Kajer		Training Specialist
6	Mr E Wiser	-	Education Specialist
7	Mr J Baxter		Action Research Component Management

8	Mr R V Suryanarayana	-	Senior Technical Officer
9	Mr P W Parwani	-	Technical Officer

Shrot Term (Upto 3 months)

1	Mr J Keller	-	Dnp & Sprinkler Irrigation System Design & Layout
2	Mr Lyn Johnson	-	System Analysis in Water Management
3	Mr S Chnstopher	-	Social Sciences
4	Mr J A Replogle		System Rehabilitation
5	Mr G Skogerboe		Main System Operation & Management

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**Closing of some Divisions in I T I.
Bangalore**

5270 SHRI PRITHVIRAJ D
CHAVAN
SHRI G MADEGOWDA

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any proposal to close down strowger and cross bar divisions in Bangalore Unit of Indian Telephone Industries,

(b) if so the total number of employees working in these units, and

(c) the steps taken to utilise the services of these employees in the event of closing down of the above units?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU). (a) The Strowger division (except for spares and the Cross Bar division of ITI, Bangalore have already been

closed since April 1990 and April, 1988 respectively

(b) The number of employees working in Strowger division and Cross Bar divisions at the time of phasing out of the units were 4162 and 2211 respectively

(c) As many number of the employees as possible who were rendered surplus due to the closure of these divisions have by now been trained in the manufacture of electronic switches and redeployed in the new production lines and other production divisions of Bangalore complex and also at the electronic unit at Bangalore

**Proposal from NRI for Independent T.V.
Channels**

5271. SHRI CHANDRAJEET YADAV
Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Government have received any proposals from NRIs and foreign companies to open independent television